

Financing Counter-Revolution

Cuba survives by continually fighting counter-revolution backed and financed by the American administration. A few weeks back the Government Accountability Office (GAO) —a US Congress agency responsible for studying how the federal government and its agencies administer the federal budget and for assessing how efficiently these operate and implement their programme—published an extensive 63-page report titled “U.S. Democracy Assistance for Cuba Needs Better Management and Oversight”.

The report had been commissioned by Arizona republican congressman Jeff Flake and Massachusetts democrat congressman William Delahunt, members of the House of Representatives’ Committee on International Relations who have advanced initiatives aimed at making the blockade on Cuba more flexible and at promoting changes in the Bush administration’s anti-Cuban policy.

The report would be worthy of ridicule were it not for the disquieting facts it reveals: how and to what end 73.5 million dollars have been spent, between 1996 and 2005, to attempt to destabilise Cuba’s internal order and assassinate Castro.

According to the US media, over half of the funds never reached Cuba, but remained in Miami. The report also reveals that a part of these questionable expenditures is squandered in the purchase of materials which the US Interests Section in Havana (USINT) attempts to distribute in Cuba. With these funds, between 1996 and 2006, USINT would have distributed 385,000 pounds of medicines, food and clothing, 23,000 short-wave radios and millions of books, bulletins and other “informative” materials, according to data published by the same GAO report. The questionable expenditures also included the financing of correspondence “journalism courses” for more than 200 mercenaries, the publication of approximately 23,000 reports by so-called “independent journalists” on the situation in Cuba and the funding of trips to Cuba of over 200 “international experts” to train internal counterrevolutionary actors.

This verifies the claims of Cuba’s reiterated denunciations of USINT, that it serves as the counter revolution’s main headquarters, and is irrefutable proof of how the US Interests Section flagrantly violates the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961, abusing its diplomatic privileges to introduce into Cuba articles and materials which are not destined to the official tasks of the Section, but, rather, to supply the mercenaries who serve the government of the United States in Cuba.

The GAO report provides irrefutable proof to substantiate the systematic denunciations voiced by the Cuban government, its affirmation that the ill-called dissidents are nothing other than a group financed and directed by the US government, true mercenaries paid by and at the service of the Cuban people’s historical enemy: US hegemonism Today, this enemy does not conceal its unchecked intention of re-conquering Cuba and spares no resources in this connection.

The expansionist government of the United States has long lacked an iota of moral authority with respect to Cuba and it is losing it more and more in other parts of the world. ✍️

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